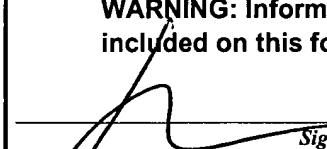
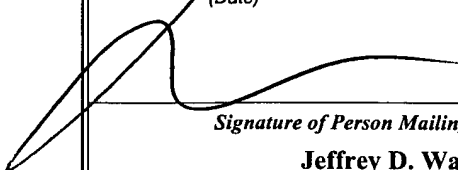


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After Final Amendment

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of April 19, 2005, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are present and begin on page 3.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 and include both an attached replacement sheet and annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached.